

September 8, 2005

Printed amendments to Senate version of HR 2862, the FY '06 Commerce, Justice, Science appropriations bill.

Two amendments Offered by Sen. Tom Coburn (R-OK)

First--On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:  
Sec. 304

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the amount made available in title III under the heading ``National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration'' and under the subheading ``operations, research, and facilities'' for the National Weather Service is increased by \$4,900,000 and, of the total amount made available for such purpose under such subheading, \$3,950,000 shall be made available for the Coastal and Inland Hurricane Monitoring and Prediction Program and \$3,950,000 shall be made available for the Hurricane and Tornado Broadcast Campaign.

Second--On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

Sec. 304.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the amount made available in title III under the heading ``National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration'' and under the subheading ``operations, research, and facilities'' for the National Weather Service is increased by \$4,900,000.

Sen. Trent Lott (R-MS)

First: On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:  
Sec. 304. Of the amounts made available in this title under the heading ``National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration'' and under the subheading ``operations, research, and facilities'' for the National Marine Fisheries Service--

- (1) not more than \$104,107,000 may be expended for headquarters programs, including corporate management and leadership and Silver Spring programs;
- (2) \$5,000,000 shall be for Southeastern shrimp product quality and marketing;
- (3) \$3,000,000 shall be for Gulf of Mexico oyster restoration;
- (4) \$3,000,000 shall be for Alaska near shore fisheries;
- (5) \$3,000,000 shall be for Pacific Coastal Fisheries Information Network catch effort data;
- (6) \$2,000,000 shall be for recreational fishing catch and release mortality research;
- (7) \$1,000,000 shall be for the Hawaii stock enhancement program;
- (8) \$1,000,000 shall be for bluefish and striped bass research and management;
- (9) \$1,000,000 shall be for Great Lakes restoration programs; and
- (10) \$1,000,000 shall be for New England stock depletion

Second: On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:  
Sec. 304. Of the amounts made available in this title under the heading ``National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration'' and under the subheading ``operations, research, and facilities'' for the National Marine Fisheries Service--

(1) not more than \$116,107,000 may be expended for headquarters programs, including corporate management and leadership and Silver Spring programs;

(2) \$5,000,000 shall be for Southeastern shrimp product quality and marketing; and

(3) \$3,000,000 shall be for Gulf of Mexico oyster restoration.

Sen. Bill Nelson (D-FL):

On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

Sec. 304. The Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration shall--

(1) make available the data and information services of such Administration, including forecasts and warnings of the National Weather Service, in a timely, open, and unrestricted manner using widely accepted information standards, including the Internet; and

(2) cooperate closely with public safety agencies and other entities, including private sector entities and the media, to achieve the widest possible understanding of information critical to the protection of life and property and the enhancement of the economy of the United States.

Sen. Richard Shelby (Adopted):

On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

Sec. 304. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, of the amounts made available in this title under the heading ``National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration'' and under the subheading ``operations, research, and facilities'', not less than \$5,800,000 shall be made available for the National Hurricane Center and that such amount may be used to employ individuals in 43 full-time equivalent positions at the National Hurricane Center.

Sen. George Voinovich (R-OH)

On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

Sec. 304. Of the funds made available under this title for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, \$5,000,000 shall be made available to the Inter-Agency Task Force on Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia for the development of the scientific assessment of hypoxia in United States coastal waters, including the Great Lakes, required by section 603(g) of the Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998 (16 U.S.C. 1451 note).